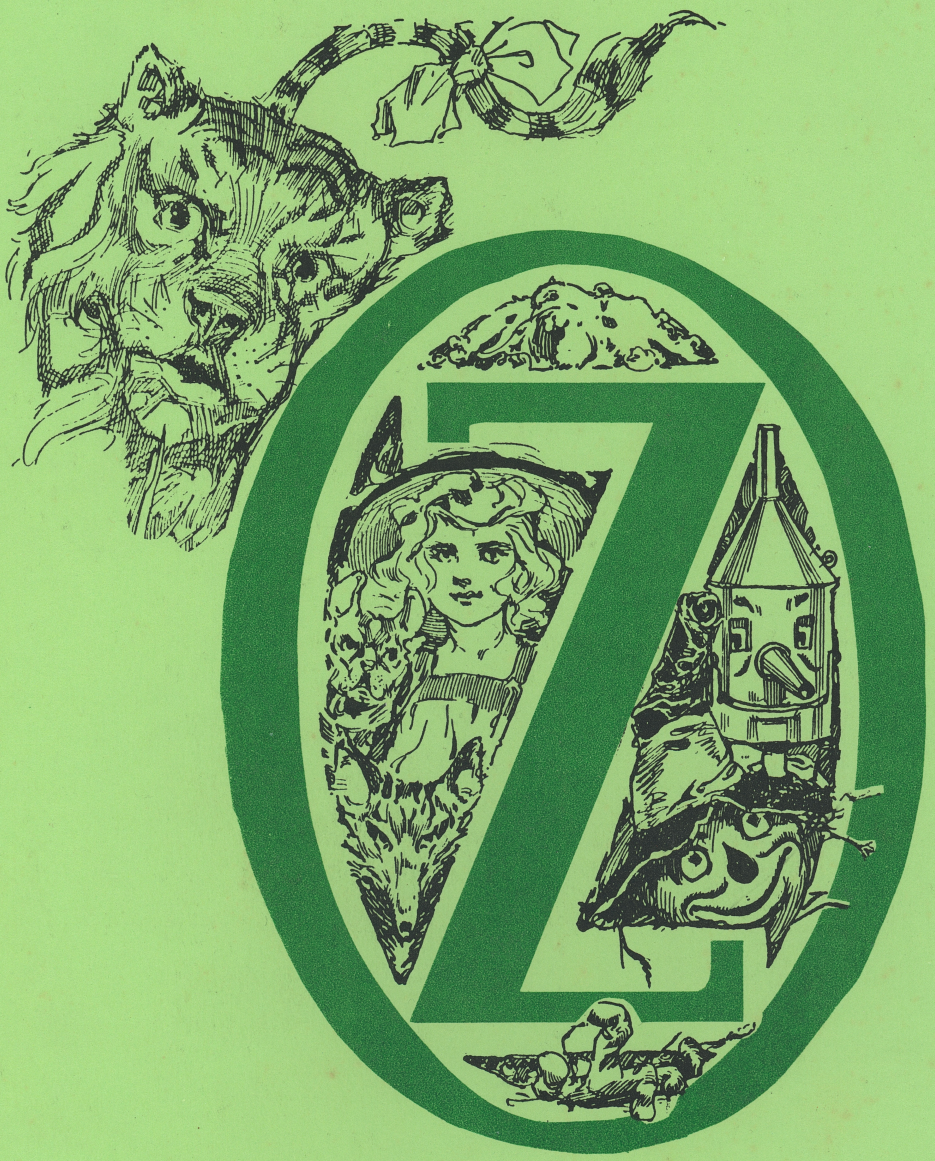

The Krewe of Nereids

presents

Twenty-fourth Annual Bal Masque

SATURDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 3, 1990
MISSISSIPPI COAST COLISEUM, BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI

Nereids Visits Oz

AND SO THE STORY BEGINS . . . IN 1900 when author L. FRANK BAUM introduced to the world a young girl named DOROTHY and her fantastic friends from . . . "THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF OZ". Since that beginning . . . a dozen or more versions of "OZ STORIES" have appeared and thrilled young and old alike . . AROUND THE WORLD. Tonight the KREWE OF NEREIDS joins that list of "OZ MAKERS" in their unique visit!

But . . . wait a minute, let's start at the beginning so you, OUR SPECIAL INVITED GUESTS, can see how the story unfolds!

DOROTHY lived in the midst of the great Kansas prairies with Uncle Henry, a farmer, Auntie Em, the farmer's wife, and her little dog TOTO. One day DOROTHY meets PROFESSOR MARVEL, a traveling magician who has (at least he says) amazed the Crowned Heads of Europe. "Oh, please take TOTO and me with you to see the Crowned Heads of Europe," Dorothy pleaded. "Your Auntie Em will be heartbroken," he is quick to assure her, "if you and TOTO run away." So DOROTHY starts towards home. Suddenly the wind begins to wail. . . A CYCLONE IS COMING! The cyclone lifts the little farmhouse into the sky and DOROTHY and TOTO with it! They are carried OVER THE RAINBOW, until finally they crash to the ground with a terrible thud. To her astonishment, DOROTHY finds herself in MUNCHKINLAND . . . with GLINDA, THE GOOD WITCH of the NORTH.

Dorothy and TOTO start . . . on the YELLOW BRICK ROAD to find the WIZARD. Soon they are joined by a SCARECROW, who yearns for a brain . . . then by a TIN WOODMAN who wishes for a heart . . . and finally by a COWARDLY LION who dreams of having courage!

But . . . wait . . . hold it . . . let's SLOW down because if we aren't careful we'll give the WHOLE STORY away too soon! SO . . . COME ALONG . . . as our TABLEAUX unfolds . . . and we invite you to join us, as TOGETHER . . . we share in the MAGIC that will fill your hearts with MUSIC, LAUGHTER and NOSTALGIA . . . for all of these will be a part of this enchanted evening when . . . "NEREIDS VISITS OZ". Our BANDSTAND comes musically alive, as we await a . . . magically "FASCINATING LAND OF THE OZ OVERTURE" . . . MAESTRO, IF YOU PLEASE!!

AS OUR BAL MASQUE UNFOLDS . . .

A. The CAPTAIN'S whistle signals the beginning of our TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SPECTACULAR CARNIVAL BALL . . . AS . . . WE WELCOME . . .

B. The ROYAL COURT of 1989 . . . recalling the excitement and fascinating melodies of the "FIFTIES" . . . in our music-filled nostalgic presentation . . . "LET'S ROCK AND ROLL" . . .

C. All Hail THEIR ROYAL MAJESTIES, our 1989 KING AND QUEEN . . .

D. Behold the spotting of the CREST OF NEREIDS, as a prelude to the fascinating and enchanting journey, when . . . "NEREIDS VISITS OZ"

E. Portraying those captivating "HANDMAIDENS" to "OZMA", our KREWE OFFICERS extend a "WELCOME TO THE BALL" and signal that the . . . journey to "OZ" is about to magically begin!

F. Behold . . in a unique fantasy entrance . . . the ENCHANTING OZMA . . . as portrayed by the CAPTAIN OF NEREIDS! . . .

G. Our story truly begins . . . "SOMEWHERE OVER THE RAINBOW" . . . way up high . . . because there's a land that I heard of . . . once in a LULLABY . . .

H. DOROTHY finds herself in "MUNCHKINLAND" where she meets GLINDA, THE GOOD WITCH OF THE NORTH, then . . .

I. The MUNCHKINS welcome Dorothy and surround her with music . . . before

J. A WICKED WITCH appears to frighten the MUNCHKINS AWAY . . .

K. As DOROTHY with TOTO flees to escape the WICKED WITCH and runs into the CORNFIELD . . . then in sequence . . .

L. DOROTHY meets the SCARECROW and the happy BLACKBIRDS . . . together they share happiness in a dance.

M. DOROTHY and the SCARECROW continue on until they meet the TIN MAN.

N. Then the JITTERBUGS dance as DOROTHY, THE SCARECROW AND THE TIN MAN watch and then the TIN MAN does his JITTERBUG DANCE and invites DOROTHY and the SCARECROW to join in . . . then

O. Its off to the deep forest where they meet the QUADLINGS, and the COWARDLY LION . . . who proclaims HE wants to be KING OF THE FOREST!

P. Look . . . the TREES are alive. They begin to throw apples to chase DOROTHY and her friends away from the ENCHANTED FOREST.

Q. Quickly . . . they are off to find the WIZARD, the WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ.

R. But the WICKED WITCH sends the POPPIES to envelop them in a mystical dance as ...

S. DOROTHY and her FRIENDS all fall asleep ... until GLINDA appears to awaken them.

T. Once again DOROTHY, with TOTO and her THREE FRIENDS are . . . "off" to see the WIZARD!

U. The WIZARD tells her . . . "I will grant your requests but first you must bring me the broomstick of the WICKED WITCH.

V. Suddenly the PALACE GUARDS enter, and soon are followed by the WICKED WITCH who sends her army of "FLYING MONKEYS" to capture "DOROTHY" so she can get back the RUBY SLIPPERS.

W. Hurry, hurry . . . DOROTHY and her friends must run to hide in the CASTLE.

X. DOROTHY and her FRIENDS do battle with the WICKED WITCH and win! All rejoice . . . "DING DONG THE WITCH IS DEAD".

a. The WIZARD and GLINDA call for a special celebration as they invite all the REALMS OF OZ to send special dignitaries.

From . . . the LAND OF LOLLIPOPS . . . comes
Our Maid . . . "THE PRINCESS OF SUGARY TREATS"
Her Duke . . . "THE PRINCE OF CONFECTIONERY"

From . . . the LAND OF THE GILLIKANS . . . comes
Our Maid . . . "DAME CYBELLE OF DREAM LAND"
Her Duke . . . "THE EARL OF THE SLUMBER REALM"

From . . . "THE LAND OF THE WINKIES" . . . comes
Our Maid . . . "LADY LUCINDA OF ELF-LAND"
Her Duke . . . "LORD CHAMBERLAIN OF FUNNY FANTASY"

From . . . "THE LAND OF COLORS" . . . comes
Our Maid . . . "THE DUCHESS OF THE RAINBOW"
Her Duke . . . "THE GRAND DUKE OF THE SPECTRUM"

From . . . "THE LAND OF THE QUADLINGS" . . . comes
Our Maid . . . "THE BARONNESS OF HAPPINESS"
Her Duke . . . "THE BARON OF THE REALM OF ELATION"

From . . . "THE LAND OF THE MUNCHKINS" . . . comes
Our Maid . . . "THE COUNTESS OF MAGIC LAND"
Her Duke . . . "THE COUNT OF THE REALM OF ILLUSION"

b. Hail QUEEN DORIS XXIV, personifying the . . . "SPIRIT OF OZ" and reigning as . . . QUEEN OF OUR BALL . . .

c. HER ROYAL MAJESTY now calls for . . . the CAPTAIN to escort . . .

d. KING NEREUS XXIV, who bids that his subjects relive with him . . . the "HAPPINESS" of the MAGICAL ENCHANTMENT OF OZ.

e. HONORED GUESTS are received at the REGAL THRONE . . . BEFORE . . .

f. The ROYAL COURT in a "GRAND PROMENADE" . . . amid a KALEIDOSCOPE OF CELEBRATIONS in a wonderland of FANTASY and MAKE-BELIEVE!!

g. We join the people of the EMERALD CITY to celebrate the death of the WICKED WITCH.

h. All take part in the "GRAND FINALE" . . . in the MERRY OLD LAND OF OZ . . . before . . . the OFFICERS OF NEREIDS take a final curtain call and give a MUSICAL OZ SALUTE to YOU their honored guests . . . as . . .

Y. The gracious and charming . . . CAPTAIN OF THE KREWE . . . bids you a nostalgic . . . "FAREWELL" . . . until we all meet again at next year's SUPER SPECTACULAR . . . NEREIDS BAL MASQUE EXTRAVAGANZA!

Z. The "CALL-OUT DANCES" begin . . . after which . . . GENERAL DANCING adds to the happy excitement of our . . . sharing in . . . "NEREIDS . . . VISIT TO OZ".

The Royal Court of

1990

King Nereus XXIV

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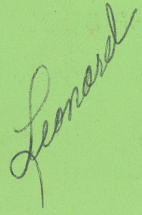

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Mr. Armand H. Serpas, Sr.

Recollections

1967 - Cavalcade of American Dance
*King Nereus I - Cornelius K. Herlihy **

1968 - Era of Laughter
King Nereus II - Merlin R. Markel

1969 - Carnival in Rio
*King Nereus III - Henry Develle, Jr. **

1970 - Spirit of America
*King Nereus IV - W. Ray Gordon **

1971 - Opening Nights
*King Nereus V - James DeBlanc **

1972 - Three Ring Circus
*King Nereus VI - Haskell L. Doyle **

1973 - Echoes of Famous Streets
King Nereus VII - John Gallagher

1974 - The Enchanted Toy Shop
King Nereus VIII - T. Dixon Ashman

1975 - The Jazz Age
King Nereus IX - David L. Johnson

1976 - Hawaii, The 50th State
King Nereus X - Lucien M. Gex, Jr.

1977 - State Fair
King Nereus XI - Vincent Schott

1978 - Ooooh La La, Paree!
*King Nereux XII - Clifford P. Vogt **

1979 - Classic Greece
King Nereus XIII - Luke Caruso

1980 - Space Fantasy
King Nereus XIV - Robert W. Wyatt, Jr.

1981 - Fiesta! Fiesta!
King Nereus XV - Donald W. Diboll

1982 - The Adventures of Alice
King Nereus XVI - Arthur J. Chapman, III

1983 - Yankee Doodle Dandy
King Nereus XVII - Thomas W. Kidd

1984 - It's A Small World
King Nereus XVIII - Gerald C. Gex

1985 - Sunday in the Park
King Nereus XIX - Alvin G. Bernard

1986 - It's Mardi Gras Time
King Nereus XX - Harold M. Hitt

1987 - And So It Was ... Dixieland
King Nereus XXI - Joseph W. Gex

1988 - Entertainment, U.S.A.
King Nereus XXII - William B. Whitfield

1989 - Let's Rock 'N' Roll
King Nereus XXIII - Herbert T. Dubuisson

** Deceased*

KREWE OF NEREIDS PARADE — Sunday, February 18, 1990, 2:00 p.m. — Highway 90, Waveland